TreePeople launches multilingual environmental educational platform to provide resources, enrichment, and community during the COVID19 pandemic to millions across the country

Southern California's largest environmental organization develops educational content around six core themes including trees, waste reduction, water, plants, community forest, and soil, designed for learners of any age.

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As millions turn to virtual education until at least the summer as a result of COVID-19, on Sunday, April 5th, TreePeople is launching Learn At Home with TreePeople, an interactive multilingual online program aimed to support kids, teachers, parents and families through engaging weekly content covering a wide range of topics that include STEM curriculum as well TreePeople's award-winning Eco Tours in nature. This virtual curriculum will address the millions who are faced with indefinite, limited access to dynamic education videos and activities.

"Long after this crisis passes, our generation and those that follow will need to find solutions to create a healthy and sustainable planet," said Cindy Montañez, TreePeople CEO. "We believe we must continue to share knowledge, nurture curiosity, foster tangible connections to the Earth, and facilitate human connection. We will continue to inspire, educate, and equip our communities, especially as we see people's desire to be connected to each other and nature rise significantly with physical distancing."

A weekly TreePeople newsletter, to be issued every Sunday, will announce each week's theme and forthcoming content. With a robust environmental curriculum built by top experts in the field, people of all ages and who speak different languages will have the opportunity to keep nature and our environment in their learning process. As everyone faces isolation during the Safer at Home quarantine, a connection to nature can also provide mental health relief.

"TreePeople's environmental programs have been helping people of all ages engage with nature for nearly 50 years," said Ariel Whitson, TreePeople's director of education and community. "We're excited to virtually deliver programming, lessons and activities that can help during these times of home isolation and social distancing. We hope this program will not only spread knowledge about sustainability and the environment, but also connect millions of people longing for community and nature."

TreePeople's social media platforms and Blog will supplement and support the weekly themes, and videos, and tool kits will live on the Learn At Home website. Students, parents, and

teachers are encouraged to follow @treepeople on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for real time deep dives, references, demonstrations, and more. This is also a place where anyone can ask questions about the material, share their experiences, connect with TreePeople experts, and build community and solidarity with neighbors near and far.

To learn more, go to www.TreePeople.org/learnathome.

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